

CORN CROP YIELD CUT BY DROUGHT

GOVERNMENT REPORT ESTIMATES PRODUCTION AT 2,351,000,000 BUSHELS.

621,000,000 BUSHELS SHORT

Most Bountiful Wheat Harvest in History of Country Indicated, Being 6,000,000 Bushels More Than Great Crop of 1901.

Washington, D. C.—An enormous loss in the prospective production of corn and indications of the biggest wheat crop ever produced were the feature of the government's September crop report.

Hot weather and drought in a number of the principal corn-growing states during the month ending September 1 caused a deterioration of corn which experts calculate has resulted in the loss of 621,000,000 bushels, reducing the corn crop estimates to 2,351,000,000 bushels. This loss of about 300,000,000 bushels during July and August. The loss brought the total up 621,000,000 bushels since the first estimates of corn crop prospects were made by the government.

Nebraska Hard Hit.

Texas alone of the six greatest corn growing states held her own during August. Nebraska was the hardest hit, the deterioration there during the month amounting to 30 per cent, bringing the condition of the crop to 37 per cent of a normal. The loss in Missouri was 29 per cent, the crop being 41 per cent of a normal. Kansas reported a condition of 10 per cent of a normal, the lowest ever recorded, and a loss of 20 per cent during the month. Illinois, with the greatest of any state planted to corn, reported a condition of 62 per cent, a loss of 10 per cent. Iowa reported 76 per cent, a loss of 9 per cent; Oklahoma, 39 per cent, a loss of 5 per cent.

Record Crop of Wheat.

Never before in the history of the country has there been such a bountiful wheat harvest as has been gathered this year. This was due principally to the bumper crop of winter wheat. The government estimate of the spring wheat crop showed increased prospects for that crop, making the total production 243,000,000 bushels, or an increase of 4.3 per cent over the August estimate. This increase brought the estimate of total wheat crop of the country to 754,000,000, or 6,000,000 more than the great record crop of 1901.

Oats prospects, too, showed an increase of 3.7 per cent as a result of the conditions existing during August, and the crop now is estimated at 1,066,000,000 bushels, or 38,000,000 more than predicted in August.

Some Crops Not Damaged.

Weather conditions during August caused deterioration which is estimated to have resulted in the loss of 14,000,000 bushels of potatoes, 35,000,000 pounds of tobacco and 1,000,000 tons of hay. Barley, flax and rice seem to have escaped damaging weather, the prospects during August having remained unchanged.

Little relief from the continued heat and drought is held out by the weather bureau, which reported that the week since the crop report was taken was very generally one of the warmest ever known in the corn growing states, that little beneficial rain had fallen and that the severe drought continued very general.

PEARY '92 RECORD RETURNED

Danish Government Ordered Papers Found on Greenland Coast by Rasmussen Be Sent to U. S.

New York—Records left by Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary in a cairn at Navy Cliff, on the northeast coast of Greenland, in July, 1892, have just been returned to him by the Danish government. They were found by Knud Rasmussen, the Danish explorer, July 22, last year.

Peary deposited the records while he and Elvind Astrup were crossing Greenland from west to east for the first time. With them was a request that the papers be forwarded to Peary by whoever should find them. Rasmussen, 20 years later, was the first man to reach the spot again.

Perry Monument Dedicated. Cedar Point, O.—Continuation of the century of peace that has elapsed since the signing of the treaty of Ghent was predicted by speakers at the banquet which brought the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the battle of Lake Erie to a close.

Beauty Winner, 10, Kidnaped. Carmen Bouche, 10 years old, brunette, who recently captured a prize in a beauty contest, was kidnaped while on her way home from school by a man and woman who induced her to enter a taxicab.

Another New Haven Wreck. Hartford, Conn.—The north-bound White Mountain express on the New Haven road was sideswiped by a freight train at midnight five miles north of the Wallingford wreck scene. No one was injured.

Chicago.—A coroner's jury exonerated Nicholas Bukhema, 17 years old, who shot and killed his father in a dispute over a woman. The boy's mother testified that her husband was dragging her by the hair when the shot was fired.

Recall of Mayor Dropped. Superior, Wis.—The Socialists of Superior have decided to drop the attempt to recall Mayor Konkel, as the effort to get the movement could be received outside of the Socialist organization.



Mayor of New York City and independent candidate for re-election, died on board the steamer Baltic while on way to Europe for a short vacation.

KLINE IS NEW YORK MAYOR

DEATH OF GAYNOR PUTS ALDERMAN IN THE CHAIR.

Demise of Executive Greatly Changes Situation in Coming Campaign—Election More Uncertain.

New York—Adolph L. Kline, vice chairman of the board of aldermen, who succeeded John Purroy Mitchell as president of the board of aldermen of New York, becomes mayor of this city by the death of William Jay Gaynor. He is a Republican and will serve until Jan. 1.

This fact, together with the removal of Gaynor as an independent candidate for re-election, greatly changes the political situation. It is believed generally that the removal of Gaynor will result in a uniting of all anti-Tammany forces in the coming municipal campaign and the defeat of the organization candidate.

Mayor Gaynor died on the steamer Baltic in midocean, according to a cablegram received here from Rufus W. Gaynor, his son, who sailed with the mayor.

Mayor Gaynor sailed away from New York, a fast-falling man, a week ago. An hour before he sailed but one man, his secretary, knew of his plans outside of members of his immediate family. The mayor's announced purpose was a brief vacation on the ocean. He felt that the tonic effect of the salt air would restore him in some measure to health.

Although the mayor had no presentiment that his trip would end fatally, he had at different times, within the last year or two told his secretary that the violence of coughing attacks were a great strain on his heart and he feared that at some time or other one of them might result seriously.

LAMAR IS RELEASED ON BOND

Wall Street Broker Accused of Impersonating Members of Congress Arrested on Indictment.

Washington, D. C.—David Lamar, conspicuous figure in the senate lobby investigation and now under indictment in New York for impersonating members of congress, was arrested by order of Attorney General McReynolds. He was released on \$3,000 bond.

What promises to be a long-drawn-out extradition contest will begin Sept. 17, the date set for Lamar's appearance before the United States commissioner here. The warrant on which the arrest was made was issued by the federal court in New York and had been brought here before, only to be carried back, the authorities hoping to get their hands upon Lamar in New York state and avoid the necessity of extradition proceedings and delay of probably a year or more.

Consignment of Cash Disappears. Savannah, Ga.—Fifty thousand dollars, in transit from the Chase National bank of New York to the Savannah Bank and Trust company, was stolen from a portable safe on an Atlantic Coast Line train between Jersey City and Savannah.

150 Indiana Linemen Strike. Indianapolis.—One hundred and fifty union electrical linemen went on strike in the interurban and traction centers of Indiana to enforce demands for higher wages, an eight-hour day and better working conditions.

Bubonic Plague Reappears. Sacramento, Cal.—A death from bubonic plague occurred at Martinez, Cal., according to reports received by the state board of health from Dr. J. D. Long of the marine hospital service in San Francisco.

Names Fire Prevention Day. Springfield, Ill.—Because of great loss that has occurred through fire, Gov. Dunne caused to be issued, through his secretary, a proclamation naming Oct. 9 as "State Fire Prevention Day."

Steel Cars Save Scores. Allentown, Pa.—Miraculous escape of scores of passengers was attributed to steel coaches when the Black Diamond express on the Lehigh Valley was derailed here en route from Philadelphia to Buffalo.

TROOPS PURSUE OUTLAWS

TEXAS RANCHMEN CLOSING IN ON SMUGGLERS.

Carranza to Shoot Mexican Bandits if Captured, Unless State Wants Them, He Says.

San Antonio, Tex.—Acting on orders from Gen. Bliss, all troops stationed on the border between Mexico and Texas have taken the field in an effort to capture the band of Mexican gun smugglers who fired on Dimmit county officers.

The soldiers are co-operating with citizen possees, which are closing in on the bandits.

From every town near the border possees are being rushed to the assistance of the troops and Sheriff Gardner.

More than 100 ranchmen are in the field and a battle is expected hourly. The Mexicans outlaws are reported to be commanded by an American.

Ranchmen Un in Arms. Ranchmen of the border are aroused at the killing of Deputy Sheriff Ortiz and the treatment of former Sheriff Buck, who was beaten and then released. The ranchmen declare they will lynch the outlaws when captured.

Gen. Jesus Carranza, Constitutional leader, said he had information that the band of smugglers had been recruited in Dimmit county, Texas, to join Alberto Guapardos' federal forces.

Carranza sent a force to the border to intercept the smugglers, where United States troops failed to capture them.

He said that, if captured, they would be turned over to Texas for trial; if the state desired otherwise, they would be shot by the Constitutionalists.

RAIL MAN KILLED EVERY HOUR

Conductors' Representative Also Tells Arbitrators One Worker Is Maimed Every 9 Minutes.

New York—A. B. Garretson, representing the Order of Railroad Conductors, testified that a railroad employee is killed in the United States every hour and seven minutes of the day and that every nine minutes a man is maimed.

Garretson was a witness before the arbitration commission in the controversy between 52 eastern railroads, their conductors and trainmen, over the employees' demands for more pay and shorter hours.

Garretson's statement was challenged by Elisha Lee, counsel for the railroads. The witness asserted, however, that he could prove his declaration and would do so in subsequent testimony.

LUTHERANS TO UNITE IN 1917

Celebration of Four Hundredth Anniversary Will Be Marked by Co-Operation by Divided Bodies.

Toledo, O.—In the report of the Rev. T. E. Schmauck, D. D., president, to the general council of the Lutheran church of North America, plans were outlined for celebration in 1917 of the 400th anniversary of the reformation.

Included in the plans for this celebration are the completion and issue of a standard English church book and hymnal, publication of an English set of important parts of Luther's books for popular reading, the raising of a large jubilee fund for church work and the beginning of general co-operation by the divided Lutheran bodies in America.

WILSON AT SUMMER CAPITAL

President Makes Trip to Windsor, Vt., in Private Car and Motor Over to Cornish, N. H.

Cornish, N. H.—President Wilson arrived at the summer White House, motoring over from the railroad station at Windsor, Vt.

The president rode from Washington to Windsor on the private car "Federal," from which he made most of his back platform speeches, and was accompanied by Secretary McAdoo of the treasury department, Field Secretary Tumulty and Dudley Field Malone, third assistant secretary of state, all of whom were Wilson's traveling companions in pre-election days.

'PLANE DIVES INTO A CROWD

Woman and a Boy Cut to Pieces by Propeller, Man Is Decapitated, Two Others Dead.

Coblenz, Prussia.—Four persons were killed, two fatally injured and 15 less seriously hurt by an army biplane which failed to rise, but instead dived into a crowd of spectators near Buchenburen.

A woman and a boy were cut to pieces by the propeller blades of the unmanageable machine, a man's head was cut off and a policeman's skull crushed so that he died.

New York.—George McAneny, fusion candidate for president of the board of aldermen, was designated by the Gaynor campaign managers as their candidate for mayor, to take the place made vacant by Mayor Gaynor's death.

Edison Is Too Ill to Work. West Orange, N. J.—Thomas A. Edison, the inventor, is ill at his home at Llewellyn Park. For the first time in eight years he was unable to go to his laboratory, a short distance away.

U. S. PLANS TO AID WOMEN ON FARMS

SECRETARY HOUSTON SENDS 50,000 LETTERS TO HOUSEWIVES IN U. S.

ASK THEM FOR SUGGESTIONS

Answers to Inquiries Will Represent Opinions of Over 500,000 Persons—Agriculture Specialists Will Act on Ideas Given.

Washington.—David F. Houston, secretary of agriculture, addressed letters to the women members of 50,000 farm households throughout the United States, requesting them to give him information as to how the department of agriculture can best serve the needs of the farm women.

These letters were addressed "To Housewives in the Homes of the Official Crop Correspondents," and will be sent to the full list of crop correspondents for transmission to the women members of their households. With each letter will be supplied a return envelope in which the women can forward their suggestions.

Farm Woman Neglected.

This inquiry results from the receipt of a letter addressed to the secretary, in which the writer said: "The farm woman has been the most neglected factor in the rural problem, and she has been especially neglected by the national department of agriculture."

This letter was written not by a woman, but by a broad-minded man, so thoroughly in touch with the agricultural and domestic needs of the country that his opinions have great weight. Following the receipt of this letter, the secretary determined that the best way for the department to learn how to give these women the fullest possible place in agricultural production was to write to the women themselves and ask them to make their own suggestions.

Individual Answers Wanted.

In the letter these women are invited to give individual answers to the letter or to discuss the matter in their church societies or women's organizations, and submit answers representing the combined opinions of the women of their entire communities. The answers are requested not later than Nov. 15, and this date is set because it will give the women time after harvest to consider the matter and discuss with their women neighbors.

"Big Tim" Sullivan Dead.

New York—"Big Tim" Sullivan, who rose from newsboy to congressman, is dead. His mangled body was identified by his stepbrother, Larry Mulligan, after it had laid for 13 days in a local morgue. Sullivan, who was ill, eluded his nurses in the early morning of Aug. 31, and a few hours later was struck and killed by a train at Pelham park.

Pankhurst May Be Barred.

New York.—The nature of the reception that awaits Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the militant leader, when she arrives from Europe will depend upon the outcome of an investigation of her actions in England being made by the immigration authorities of the United States.

Canal Too Small, He Thinks.

Chicago.—There will be such a pressure of traffic on the Panama canal 20 years from now that the United States will be compelled to virtually rebuild the waterway, according to Capt. Philip Binauvarilla of Paris, who is in Chicago.

Huerta Ousts Governor.

Mexico City.—Adherents of Gen. Felix Diaz, a presidential candidate, are wrought up over Gen. Huerta's "removal" of Pedro Rosales, governor of Hidalgo. They assert that Huerta means to place his own military governors in every state.

Japan's Ultimatum Met.

Peking, China.—Orders issued by Provisional President Yuan Shi Kai signify, it is believed by foreign observers in Peking, that China has complied with the demand of the Japanese made upon the Chinese government.

Robbers Leave \$4,000 in Silver.

Okemah, Ok.—Not wishing to burden themselves with heavier coin, robbers left behind \$4,000 in silver money when they robbed the Okemah State bank and obtained \$3,400 in paper money.

Cancer Deaths Increase.

Colorado Springs.—Figures showing that the mortality from cancer increased from 67.9 per 100,000 population for the average of the five years ending with 1905 to 74.3 in 1911 were cited by Dr. L. F. Hoffman.

Divorce Is Found Guilty.

Millen, Ga.—Mrs. Edna Perkins Godbee was found guilty of the murder of her divorced husband, Mrs. Godbee was sentenced to the penitentiary for life.

De La Barra Meets Diaz.

Paris.—Gen. Felix Diaz of Mexico, who was learned here, twice has been to Paris under an assumed name while in Europe. He came here to confer with Francisco De La Barra, Mexican representative in France.

Train Hits Buggy, 2 Killed.

Salt Lake City, Utah.—Two were killed and six injured, two of them probably fatally, near Ashton, Idaho, when the Oregon Short Line struck a vehicle carrying home a party of young people from an all-night dance.

RULE SHUTS OFF 3-CT. CASH FARE

MISSOURI COMMISSION ALLOWS ROADS TEN CENTS EXTRA IF NO TICKET.

EXCESS BAGGAGE RATE CUT

Twelve and Half Per Cent of Fare Limit for 100 Pounds' Excess—Two Lines Handling Shipments Get Tariff.

Jefferson City.—Three important conference rulings affecting the railroads of Missouri were adopted by the state public service commission. These were upon cash fare on trains, excess baggage charges and freight rates upon shipments of commodities reaching their destination over two or more lines of railroad.

Railroads are prohibited by one order from collecting and keeping to exceed 2 cents a mile from passengers tendering cash fare instead of tickets upon trains.

To compel passengers to procure tickets before boarding trains the railroads have adopted different plans of penalizing those who fail to get tickets. Some of the roads have been charging passengers who tender cash fare 3 cents a mile when the rate is fixed by law at 2 cents a mile. The commission holds that this is unlawful.

The commission held in another ruling that where two or more lines of railroad handle a shipment before it reaches its destination it must be handled as though it reached destination over one line and the rates charged must be the same.

Since the maximum freight law became effective shippers have made complaint that where a shipment must go over two or more railroads to destination that each exacts the initial charge.

The commission holds this to be unlawful and that the second road is not entitled to collect the charge for the first 25 miles or under.

A third ruling holds that railroads cannot lawfully collect to exceed 12 1/2 per cent of the price of the ticket per 100 pounds for excess baggage. Some of the roads have been exacting 16 2/3 per cent. When Attorney-General Barker threatened to institute proceedings against them three or four of the roads reduced their baggage rates and filed notice of the reduction with the commission.

Free Text Law Neglected.

Jefferson City.—Only four school districts in Missouri have taken advantage of the law enacted by the last legislature authorizing the people of any school district to furnish free text-books to the children, according to Supt. William P. Evans.

The districts which have adopted free text-books, which saves parents and guardians individually the cost of books for the children, are St. Louis, Kansas City, Chillicothe and Cape Girardeau.

There will be allotted to each of these districts from its funds for incidental purposes and from foreign insurance taxes approximately 32 cents for each child enumerated, which, after the initial purchase, will be enough to defray the total expenses of text-books throughout the eight grades and the high school, Mr. Evans says.

He says it is not too late for other school districts to avail themselves of the free text-book law. It provides that the voters in the district may at a special election vote upon the proposition of furnishing free text-books.

Veterans' Trip Cost State \$9,627.

Jefferson City.—Adj. Gen. O'Meara, who, with Col. Thomas B. Rodgers of St. Louis and Col. J. William Towson of Shelby, arranged for the transportation of the veterans of both armies to the Gettysburg fiftieth anniversary celebration, made his formal report to Gov. Major. He reported that the cost of transporting the old soldiers and of the preliminary arrangements and inquiries amounted to \$9,627.62, leaving a balance of \$5,372.37 in the \$15,000 appropriation, which he turned into the state treasury.

There were 285 who attended the celebration, of whom about two-thirds were federal and one-third confederates.

Clemency Denied to Bailey.

Jefferson City.—By a unanimous decision the state board of pardons and paroles declined to recommend a parole or clemency for Edgar Bailey, who is serving a life sentence in the penitentiary for the murder of a hack driver named Ferguson in Kansas City.

County Sues Its Collector.

Jefferson City.—A suit to test the right of the collector, William Miller, of Douglas county, to retain 5 per cent of all revenues collected since the revenue law of 1909 became effective instead of 4 per cent, has been started in the circuit court of that county, according to State Auditor Gordon.

Major Will Boost Roads.

Jefferson City.—Gov. Major accepted an invitation to make a good road, speech at the Arkansas-Oklahoma Interstate fair at Fort Smith, Oct. 14.

Some Situation, Bo!

The managers of a Brooklyn cemetery advertised: "Graves finally situated, surrounded by the beauties of nature, commanding a fine view of the bay, and, in short, meeting every requirement of the human family. People who have tried them cannot be persuaded to go elsewhere."

Growing Picketing.

"Lordy, Rastus, you don't you lot 'em suspenders out, as I tells you? Be 'long youn' that won't touch do grous!"—Pennsylvania Punch Bowl.

Insurance Men to Form League.

Jefferson City.—A state-wide meeting of the citizens directly or indirectly engaged or interested in the insurance business will be held in St. Louis late this month to organize the Insurance Federation of Missouri. The state will be divided into districts, with a committee in each district, each of which will be to act on complaints and to report on unfair practices among insurance men. A special committee will be named to keep a close eye on bills proposed in the state legislature and endeavor to avert their death in committees.

"Missouri is the business gold of more than 10,000 insurance men," said D. D. Thomas, state agent of the National Fire of Hartford. "These men must fight the passage of drastic laws or the plants they have built up will crumble away. They will work for a compensation law and for fire prevention measures."

"The first work of the federation will be to launch a campaign for the education of agents and the insuring public in the unintentional secrets of insurance. The buyer will be told what he may do to get insurance at an equitable price. He will be taught he must, in the end, pay for the fruits of unwise laws and unfair competition."

The recently organized Insurance Federation of Ohio will be taken as one of the models. That federation was "conceived with the idea that the interests of the policy holders, agents and companies are one, and that in laboring for the interests of the policy holders, the agents and companies are doing the best for themselves."

Among the purposes of the federation will be: To establish and maintain high, clean standards of professional conduct among insurance workers; to eliminate and correct all evils or abuses which may creep into the insurance business; to educate and inform the public as to the particular benefit of each form of insurance; to promote and foster a spirit of fraternalism and mutual helpfulness among the insurance workers of the state and to co-operate with the public in the enactment and enforcement of just and beneficial insurance laws.

Seek Man Gone 30 Years.

Jefferson City.—Mayor Cecil W. Thomas of Jefferson City received a communication from Ludwig Heyn of Darmstadt, Germany, inquiring about Konrad Weber, formerly of Union, Mo., who, it seems, is entitled to a share in an inheritance about to be divided. The letter is addressed to Burgomaster of Jefferson County, the attorney or official writing the letter apparently mistaking Jefferson county for Jefferson City. Heyn stated that August Weber, a brother of Konrad, died at Union July 25, 1882, and that Konrad left Missouri in 1883 for Arizona, and that no further trace had been found of him.

Major to Speak at Mobile.

Jefferson City.—Gov. Major accepted an invitation to address the Southern Commercial congress, which convenes at Mobile, Ala., Oct. 27, on the life and work of the late Senator John T. Morgan of Alabama, who the officials of the organization say was the "father of the Panama canal idea."

Carroll Sues for Salary.

Jefferson City.—A mandamus proceeding was brought in circuit court here by M. V. Carroll of Sedalia, who served as immigration commissioner under Gov. Hadley, to compel Auditor Gordon to pay him \$1,250 salary, from Jan. 1, 1913, when the appropriation became available, and Aug. 16, when John J. Schneider was commissioned by Gov. Major.

Grade Crossings to Go.

Jefferson City.—The deadly railroad grade crossings is to go in Missouri, according to an announcement by the state utilities commission. Active work in the campaign will be begun Sept. 15, when James Lawrence Harmon, a Wisconsin engineer, will begin a study and investigation of the problem.

Teachers Meet in St. Louis.

Jefferson City.—William P. Evans, state superintendent of public schools, has arrangements under way for the annual meeting of the state teachers' association, which will be held at the Coliseum in St. Louis Nov. 6-8. Four prominent men in educational circles outside of Missouri have accepted invitations to speak.

\$18,315 Interest to State.

Jefferson City.—State Treasurer Deal received \$18,315.56 from the various state depositories covering interest on the state's daily balances for August. During the eight months that he has been in office Treasurer Deal has collected \$121,837.22 interest on the state's money.

Louisiana Girl Weds Cuban Agent.

Louisiana.—Miss Anna Nally was married at the home of her parents, north of this city, to D. D. Hall of Havana, Cuban agent of a large packing company.

Hannibal Asks Right to Buy Plant.

Jefferson City.—The public service commission received the application of the city of Hannibal for permission to purchase the Hannibal Water company. Hannibal has voted \$300,000 of bonds to purchase the plant and improve it.

Drowns in Hotel Bath Tub.

Joplin.—Moses L. Cohn of 4900 Park place, Chicago, secretary of the Federal Mining and Milling company, was found drowned in the bath tub in his room at the Conner hotel here.

Can You Believe This?

Nature's most deadly antipathy seems to have been overcome. A rat was killed in a produce company's plant in Missouri and left four young rats, which the cat has undertaken to bring up, meaning not neglecting her duty of keeping the place clear of all adult rats that come in sight.

Faults Commem to All.

On the whole we make too much of faults. Faults? The greatest of faults, I should say, is to have none.—Thomas Carlyle.

Rheumatism Is Torture

Many pains that pass as rheumatism are due to weak kidneys—to the failure of the kidneys to drive off uric acid thoroughly.

When you suffer with bad joints, backache, too, dizziness and some urinary disturbances, get Doan's Kidney Pills, the remedy that is recommended by over 150,000 people in many different lands. Doan's Kidney Pills help weak kidneys to drive out the uric acid which is the cause of backache, rheumat